

ROUTE 58 (GILLEY AVENUE) IN BIG STONE GAP

Virtual Public Meeting Presentation

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January 2021



Virtual Design Public Hearing in Response to Public Health

The virtual public hearing and VDOT website provides the same information as an in-person hearing:

- √ Project Information
- ✓ Estimated timeline
- √ Process for submitting comments
- √ Key contacts



Share Facts About COVID-19

Know the facts about coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and help stop the spread of rumors.



Diseases can make anyone sick regardless of their race or ethnicity.

People of Asian descent, including Chinese Americans, are not more likely to get COVID-19 than any other American. Help stop fear by letting people know that being of Asian descent does not increase the chance of getting or spreading COVID-19.



Some people are at increased risk of getting COVID-19.

People who have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or people who live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread are at an increased risk of exposure.



Someone who has completed quarantine or has been released from isolation does not pose a risk of infection to other people.

For up-to-date information, visit CDC's coronavirus disease 2019 web page.





You can help stop COVID-19 by knowing the signs and symptoms:

- Fever
- Cough
- · Shortness of breath

Seek medical advice if you

- Develop symptoms
- AND
- Have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or if you live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19.



There are simple things you can do to help keep yourself and others healthy.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing; going to the bathroom; and before eating or preparing food.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.

For more information: www.cdc.gov/COVID19

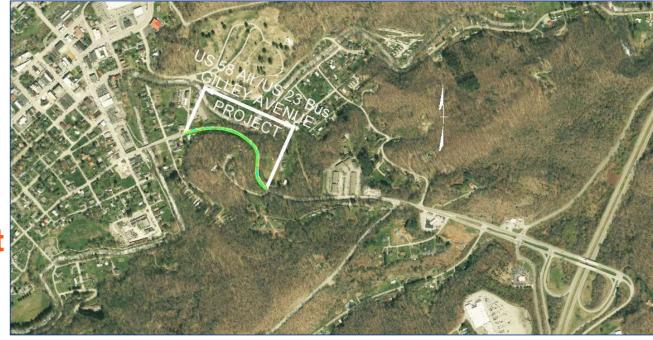


Virginia Department of Transportation

UPC 110879 Project 0058-101-902 C-501 Gilley Avenue

Overview

- Widen shoulder along approximately .25-mile of eastbound Gilley Avenue near Hamblen Street
- Pave and improve sight distance from Hamblen Street to Ridge Point.







Overview

Recent crash data indicates a number of severe crashes along this section of Gilley Avenue due to the existing geometry. The project will increase shoulder width along the eastbound lanes to 8 feet, providing an area for departure/recovery.







Purpose

The Gilley Avenue project will:

- Increase shoulder width along the eastbound lane to 8 feet, with 6-feet paved for pedestrian use
- Current roadway will be planed, paved
- Increase sight distance between Hamblen Street and Ridge Point





Right of Way

- As the design is developed, VDOT will determine what right of way and easements will be needed to accommodate construction.
- Property owners will be notified prior to construction.
- Right of way acquisition will begin Spring 2022.
- All right of way acquisitions will be completed in accordance with the Uniform Relocation and Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended in 1987.





Right of Way

- Approximately 3.5 acres of proposed right of way and easements
 - Right of way will be acquired from five properties
 - One utility easement
 - One displaced resident



Public meeting documents available on project page

- Project Plans
- Project Display
- Typical Sections
- Construction Plan Sheet
- Cross Sections
- Project Brochure
- Comment Sheet (PDF and online survey
- Meeting Advertisement
- Environmental Documentation
- Civil Rights Survey





Funding and Estimate

Preliminary Engineering: \$215,000

Right of Way: \$540,000

Construction: \$2,575,000

\$3.33 million





Timeline









How to submit comments

Please submit your comments using any of the four methods below by **January 30, 2021.**









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https://www.VirginiaDOT.org/GilleyAvenue









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